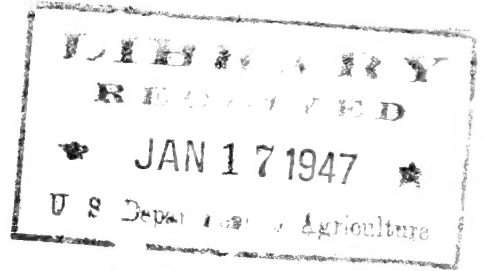


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Price list of Native Louisiana Plants

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NATIVE LOUISIANA IRISES

CULTURE:

It must be remembered that these want treatment exactly **OPPOSITE** that required by the bearded (so-called "German" iris). The native irises are found in bogs, but will thrive in the garden if given rich loam, with plenty of humus. They require an abundance of water in the growing season, but in most parts of the country that coincides with the rainy season. It does them no harm to dry out during the late summer, provided the rhizomes are never exposed to hot sun. Where temperatures drop below ten degrees, it is best to give them light protection. Several inches of light soil over the rhizomes does not damage them. They have been successfully grown as far North as Southern Canada. In the Deep South they prefer semi-shade; in the North, full sun. They can be taken up and shipped at any time of year, but the best months for moving are September, October, and November. When transported long distance, they should be moved in these three months, only.

The eight which follow are types classified and named by Dr. J. K. Small:

I. <i>giganticaerulea</i> —Robust plants, sometimes 5 feet, with large, showy flowers in every shade of blue and lavender; broad bright yellow crests; petals upright, sepals recurved.	EACH
Blue shades50
Pure white	1.00
I. <i>miraculosa</i> —Another giant iris; almost white, flushed palest blue-lavender in an attractive manner, bright crest	1.00
I. <i>violutea</i> —Large, flat flowers, softest violet with very large, brilliant yellow crest. Very floriferous; showy	1.50
I. <i>vinicolor</i> —Medium-size flowers, flat type, glowing wine-red. Branching stems produce many flowers50
I. <i>viridivinea</i> —Large, graceful flowers of soft wine, no visible crest; flat type; height 3 feet50
I. <i>chrysaecola</i> —Medium-size flowers of bright wine-red, with a lot of gold; early bloomer; height 3 feet50
I. <i>violipurpurea</i> —An interesting flower in odd shade of red-violet, with very long, bright yellow crest. Height 20 inches	1.00
I. <i>flexicaulis alba</i> —Lovely white flowers on 8-inch stems, not hidden by leaves	1.00

Iris Fulva

This is probably the most widely distributed native iris, but its color range is little known. Small, graceful flowers in brilliant shades of red, salmon-pink, etc.

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Clear lemon yellow	1.50

RARE NATIVE LOUISIANA IRISES (Registered, A. I. S.)

BAYOU VERMILLION —Rich velvety crimson (not in Color-chart), with 3 golden lines for crest; flowers 6½ inches	5.00
HOMACHITTO ("Big Red")—Enormous flowers of rich bright crimson; broad, drooping sepals, no crest. When spread, flowers 7 in.	2.50
CARDINALS —Cardinal-scarlet flowers of graceful flat form, 6½ inches, long, narrow yellow crest; curving stems	5.00
BONROUGE —Wide open 6-inch flowers of bright rose-red	2.00
VINEYARD —Enormous flowers in shades of Burgundy and Bordeaux	2.00
GYPSY RED —Brilliant rose-red, flat flowers, no crest; very floriferous; height 30 inches	4.00
JEUNE FILLE —Lovely large frilly white, yellow crest; 40 inches	1.50

	EACH
WILD SWAN—The 8-inch white flowers suggest swans in flight; very firm and lasting; height 40 inches	4.00
MAGNOLIA PETAL—Deep cream 6-inch flowers; bright yellow crest; fine form, very firm; combines well with all colors; 30 inches	2.00
MEI LING—Very large Abbeville yellow, goldenrod predominant shade, very bright; firm broad sepals, not drooping	5.00
REFLECTED LIGHT—Beautiful soft yellow flowers open out flat; 7 inches! Abbeville type	5.00
KRAEMER YELLOW—Rare shade of sulphur yellow; <i>giganticaerulea</i> form dainty and lovely	5.00
GULF SUNSHINE—Lemon yellow, tiny orange crest; flowers small, but often three are open at the same time; 20 inches	3.00
NEW ORLEANS—Enormous rose-pink flowers, bright yellow crest; with sepals spread, flower is 8 inches	2.50
MARY S. DEBAILLON—Like a tremendous orchid; sepals lavender-rose, petals orchid-pink; broad yellow crest. A stem bearing three of these 7-inch flowers is an arresting sight	2.00
CAJAN—General effect is brilliant rose-pink, with a lot of gold. Blooms over a long period; fine garden plant	1.00
MRS. CAMMIE HENRY—Fine, even rose, flat form, broad sepal, no crest; 6-inch flowers; height 30 inches	2.00
DAN DEBAILLON (known locally as "American Home Pink")—A true warm pink, delicate and lovely; graceful flat form	2.50
LOUISIANA DAWN—Deep cream base, flushed with the colors of dawn; perfect form; 6-inch flowers; height 30 inches	2.00
DAVID FISCHER—Beautiful blending of white and orchid, on flat, 7-inch flowers; bright yellow crest outlined in grape-juice. Most unusual	2.00
LILLIAN TRICHEL—Graceful curving stems bear several exquisite flowers at the same time; soft rose-pink, flushed pale gold	2.00
CAROLINE DORMON—An iris that is "different;" heart of both sepals and petals pale yellow, shading into soft rose-red at edges and tips; both flare upward; beautiful and arresting	5.00
CATHEDRAL BLUE—Combines shades Westminster, Canterbury, and abbey; bright yellow crest. Velvety 6-inch flowers borne on 18-inch stems, but certainly not hidden by leaves	1.50
RUTH MARSALIS—Tremendous flowers on 40-inch stems; a lovely and unique shade of soft blue, long clear-cut light crest	2.00
SPRING SKIES—Big graceful flat flowers of melting blue; height 30 inches. Long bloomer; excellent garden plant	2.00
GRETNA—Deepest, even violet-blue—nothing in Color-chart near it; tiny pale yellow crest; 6½-inch flowers; stem 30 inches	1.50
HAILE SELASSIE—One of the finest Abbeville irises; great flat flowers, sepals and petals meeting; deep velvety red-violet, long clearcut crest of gold; wonderful firm texture; 3 flowers at same time on every stem	3.00
CONTRAST—A very rare bicolor; sepals violet, petals palest orchid; bright yellow crest; graceful flat form	5.00

Introductions by Ira S. Nelson

JAUNE-BRUN—A typical Abbeville iris in a lovely shade of yellow, with deeper crest outlined in brown, and bright brown narrow band extending to tip of sepal; very firm texture	5.00
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OLD SPICE—Graceful flowers of Abbeville type, color light chocolate, shading to old spice. Most unusual 5.00

Introductions by W. B. McMillan (Registrations pending)

APRIL MOON—As ethereal as its name, the large flower is pale yellow, splashed with white and light blue 5.00

BAYOU SUNSET—A 6-inch flower, sepals and petals meeting, and combining brilliant sunset colors 5.00

AURORA BOREALIS—The long yellow rays extending far into the light red sepals certainly suggest a display of Northern Lights; very broad sepals and petals 5.00

NATIVE IRISES FROM EASTERN UNITED STATES

Iris tripetala—Odd and lovely small iris with 3 sepals, no petals; soft violet; perfume of grape hyacinths; height 18 inches; grass-like leaves; fine for pools and sandy bogs50

I. verna—A jewel for the rock garden; tiny flowers of violet and lavender, orange crest; entire plant 4 inches high. Require well drained soil. Thrives between rocks50

I. cristata—A rock garden species, 4 to 6 inches in height, delicate lavender flowers. Must be grown in well drained site. Both this and **I. verna** are from our eastern mountain region50

IMPORTED SPECIES—Evansia, Crested Iris

I. tectorum—The roof iris of Japan; deep lilac-blue, with deeper markings, and ivory crest. 15 inches. Likes sun30

I. tectorum alba—Same as above, except creamy white75

UNGUICULARIS—Winter blooming iris

I. stylosia marginata—A fragrant beardless iris from Asia; large violet flowers with white markings; beautiful; but best of all, it blooms constantly from November through February! In Southern states may be grown outdoors without protection50

COLLECTION

For amateurs to experiment on, a dozen good Louisiana irises may be had for \$3.00. Naturally these are not rare named varieties, but all are attractive, and are fine for mass plantings.

ATTENTION IRIS GROWERS!

Join the American Iris Society, Washington, D. C.; and the Mary S. De-Baillon Louisiana Iris Society, Lafayette, Louisiana. Home Gardening, New Orleans, Louisiana, contains many informative articles on growing native irises.

(Write for list of other native plants and rare bulbs.)